

To whom it may concern,

November 9, 2018

I contacted the Souls of Steel Orchestra earlier this year when I was looking for a steel pan group to perform at a prominent SickKids event - the SickKids-Caribbean Initiative reception. This event brought together leaders from across the Caribbean region to celebrate the success of our initiative and to announce our new commitment to improve diagnosis, care and treatment for children with cancer and serious blood disorders across the region. Andre Rouse enthusiastically responded to me and graciously offered SickKids a discount on his performance fee.

The event took place on Wednesday August 1, 2018 from 6:30pm – 8:30pm at the Hospital for Sick Children. With guests from Barbados, Bahamas, Jamaica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago, my goal was for the event to feel authentic. I hoped to achieve this through the food, music, and décor. The Souls of Steel Orchestra were a key part to bringing this vision into fruition – it was evident that their music made our international guests feel at home.

I would highly recommend the Souls of Steel Orchestra to any event organizer hoping to achieve similar goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mia Bettio". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Mia Bettio
Event Associate, SickKids Foundation